

# OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL



## BE PART OF A PROUD TRADITION



U.S. ARMY

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Army officer. With the support of leaders and peers, the rest will come with experience.

### EARN YOUR COMMISSION

It's hard work, but the day you step forward to accept your commission, you will feel tremendous pride in your accomplishment that will make it all worthwhile. While accepting the rank insignia of an Army second lieutenant, you'll gain more than a job. You'll become a respected leader in one of the world's greatest institutions – the U.S. Army.

### EARN EXTRA BENEFITS

A good Army officer never stops learning. You'll be given ample opportunities for specialized training and education, often paid by the Army. You may even get the chance to pursue an advanced degree.

Other Army benefits include health care, 30 days of vacation with pay each year and a regular paycheck. There's also the opportunity to travel and live abroad.

### QUALIFICATIONS

You must be a U.S. citizen and a college graduate, at least 18 years old and not have passed your 30th birthday for active Army, or 35th birthday for Army Reserve, at the time of selection for OCS. If you're a college senior, you can apply early and be selected for training at OCS upon completion of your degree. Your OCS enrollment will be guaranteed in writing.

### INVEST IN YOUR FUTURE

Leadership skills, self-reliance, responsibility and maturity are just some of the attributes you'll develop as an Army officer. The experience is something you'll remember and take pride in for a lifetime.

Take your first step toward becoming an Army officer today. To learn more, visit our Web site at [goarmy.com/ocs](http://goarmy.com/ocs), call 1-800-USA-ARMY or contact your local Army recruiter.

From George Washington to Colin Powell, some of the greatest leaders in our country's history have been Army officers. That proud tradition continues today. The Army Officer Corps provides leadership for the strongest, smartest team in the world.

As an officer, you'll be proud of who you become – a respected leader, one who others will look to when decisions are crucial. You'll get responsibility fast, honing management skills you'll use the rest of your career – either in the Army or in the civilian world.

It all starts with a 21-week training program, that includes initial entry training and Officer Candidate School (OCS). Many candidates just like you come from colleges across America. They choose OCS because it allows them to put their education to use and gain valuable leadership skills.

### LEARN TO BE A LEADER

During nine weeks of initial entry training, you'll learn the basics of soldiering. You'll attend classes and participate in calisthenics, drills and weapons training taught by some of the best Soldiers anywhere.

Over 12 weeks long, OCS will challenge you mentally and physically. After practical exercises and classes in military studies, field training, leadership, organization and management, you'll have developed most of the tools you'll need to become an